## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION Washington, DC 20463

May 2, 1997

## **BY FACSIMILE & FIRST CLASS MAIL**

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RE: MUR 4594

China Airlines, Ltd.

## Dear Mr. Witten:

This letter is to memorialize my telephone conversation with you on May 2, 1997. As discussed, MUR 4594, China Airlines, Ltd., was recently transferred to my caseload. Your letter dated February 14, 1997, though comprehensive, raises several issues. A response to the following informal requests would facilitate our handling of this matter:

1. On page 2 of your response letter you state that "[o]ver the years, CAL, which has experience in ownership and management of a hotel in Honolulu and a civic interest in assisting the Chinese-American community there, seconded some employees to Longevity."

## In reference to this clause:

- a) State the name of the hotel that China Airlines, Ltd. has had experience in owning and managing in Honolulu.
- b) Elaborate upon the term "seconded" as it is utilized in this context. In other words, were the employees transferred or merely referred to Longevity International Enterprises Corporation by China Airlines, Ltd.?
- 2. Provide a specific explanation of any direct or indirect relationship between China Airlines, Ltd. and Longevity International Enterprises Corporation, "owner" of the Chinatown Cultural Plaza.

Please submit a written response for these requests to this Office by the close of business on May 9, 1997, or inform me immediately if you cannot provide this information.

Should you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 219-3690.

Sincerely,

Nancy E. Bell

Attorney